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Mayor Tom Barrett today released the following statement regarding last night's shooting of a 6-year old on the City's Northwest side:

"It's despicable. It's sickening. A 6-year old is lying in a hospital bed right now recovering from a gunshot wound he suffered at the hands of a 3-year old. Why were these kids unattended at 10:00 at night? How did they have access to a gun, an illegal gun?

We are talking about children here; children who are in very real, very immediate danger because of illegal guns. If this doesn't compel people to open their eyes to the epidemic of violence caused by illegal guns, I don't know what will."